TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 1079 - SB 1237

March 17, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes an annual permit for up to three consecutive years that exempts a person from hunter education requirements. Authorizes the Tennessee Fish and Wildlife Commission to promulgate rules to create such permit fee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue – Exceeds \$4,200/Wildlife Resources Fund

Assumptions:

- According to the information provided by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA), the cost of a hunter exemption permit is \$10 and the average hunting and fishing license sold is \$37.
- All license fee revenue is allocated to the Wildlife Resources Fund (WRF).
- Based on the information provided by the TWRA, 4,241 hunter education exemption permits were sold in FY12-13. For the purposes of this analysis, this number will remain constant.
- It is estimated that at least 10 percent, or 424 (4,241 x 0.10) will pursue the hunter education exemption permit for the additional two years. As a result, the recurring increase to state revenue is estimated to exceed \$4,241 (424 x \$10) annually to the WRF.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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